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BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 560) (SUCCESSOR TO HF 199)

(As Amended and Passed by the House May 5, 2015)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to expenditures of moneys from the E911
- 2 emergency communications fund, other duties of the
- 3 department of homeland security and emergency management,
- 4 and other properly related matters.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **29C.23 Statewide land mobile radio** 2 communications system.
- 3 1. The department, in coordination with the department
- 4 of public safety and the department of transportation,
- 5 shall reimburse the provider, as defined in section 34A.2,
- 6 on a calendar quarterly basis, for actual annual lease
- 7 costs associated with the operation of a statewide land
- 8 mobile radio communications system that interfaces with the
- 9 Iowa interoperability radio platform. The department of
- 10 administrative services shall select the provider in accordance
- 11 with section 8A.311.
- 12 2. All public safety answering points may access the
- 13 statewide land mobile radio communications system without any
- 14 additional charge to the individual public safety answering
- 15 point.
- 3. The Iowa radio interoperability platform shall be under
- 17 the joint purview of the department of public safety and the
- 18 department of transportation. The departments shall jointly
- 19 submit a biannual report to the Iowa statewide interoperable
- 20 communications system board beginning July 1, 2016.
- 21 Sec. 2. Section 34A.7A, subsection 2, Code 2015, is amended
- 22 by adding the following new paragraphs:
- 23 NEW PARAGRAPH. Ob. (1) The program manager shall allocate
- 24 to each joint E911 service board and to the department of
- 25 public safety a minimum of one thousand dollars per calendar
- 26 quarter for each public safety answering point within the
- 27 service area of the department of public safety or joint E911
- 28 service board that has submitted an annual written request to
- 29 the program manager in a form approved by the program manager
- 30 by May 15 of each year.
- 31 (2) The amount allocated under this paragraph "Ob" shall be
- 32 fifty-three percent of the total amount of surcharge generated
- 33 per calendar quarter allocated as follows:
- 34 (a) Sixty-five percent of the total dollars available for
- 35 allocation shall be allocated in proportion to the square miles

- 1 of the service area to the total square miles in this state.
- 2 (b) Thirty-five percent of the total dollars available for
- 3 allocation shall be allocated in proportion to the wireless
- 4 E911 calls taken at the public safety answering point in
- 5 the service area to the total number of wireless E911 calls
- 6 originating in this state.
- 7 (c) Notwithstanding subparagraph divisions (a) and (b), the
- 8 minimum amount allocated to each joint E911 service board and
- 9 to the department of public safety shall be no less than one
- 10 thousand dollars for each public safety answering point within
- 11 the service area of the department of public safety or joint
- 12 E911 service board.
- 13 (3) The funds allocated in this paragraph "Ob" shall be
- 14 used for communication equipment utilized for the receipt and
- 15 disposition of 911 calls.
- 16 NEW PARAGRAPH. 00b. The program manager shall allocate
- 17 moneys pursuant to this paragraph each calendar quarter
- 18 to joint E911 service boards with public safety answering
- 19 points within the boards' E911 service areas that enter into
- 20 agreements to consolidate and to the department of public
- 21 safety for such public safety answering points. A public
- 22 safety answering point subject to such an agreement to
- 23 consolidate shall receive the allocation that the public safety
- 24 answering point would have received individually pursuant to
- 25 paragraph "Ob" and an additional twenty-five percent of the
- 26 amount the public safety answering point would have received
- 27 pursuant to paragraph "Ob". A public safety answering point
- 28 subject to such an agreement to consolidate shall receive
- 29 moneys pursuant to the allocation in this paragraph at
- 30 the beginning of the fiscal year following the date of the
- 31 agreement for a period of three years.
- 32 Sec. 3. Section 34A.7A, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 33 2015, is amended to read as follows:
- 34 b. For the three-year period beginning From July 1, 2013,

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35 and ending June 30, 2016 until June 30, 2026, the program

- 1 manager shall allocate thirteen ten percent of the total amount
- 2 of surcharge generated to wireless carriers to recover their
- 3 costs to deliver E911 phase 1 services. If the allocation
- 4 in this paragraph is insufficient to reimburse all wireless
- 5 carriers for such carrier's eligible expenses, the program
- 6 manager shall allocate a prorated amount to each wireless
- 7 carrier equal to the percentage of such carrier's eligible
- 8 expenses as compared to the total of all eligible expenses for
- 9 all wireless carriers for the calendar quarter during which
- 10 such expenses were submitted. When prorated expenses are paid,
- 11 the remaining unpaid expenses shall no longer be eligible for
- 12 payment under this paragraph.
- 13 Sec. 4. Section 34A.7A, subsection 2, paragraph e, Code
- 14 2015, is amended by striking the paragraph.
- 15 Sec. 5. Section 34A.7A, subsection 2, paragraph f, Code
- 16 2015, is amended to read as follows:
- 17 f. If moneys remain in the fund after fully paying all
- 18 obligations under paragraphs "a", "0b", "00b", "b", "c", and
- 19 "d", and "e", the remainder may be accumulated in the fund
- 20 as a carryover operating surplus. This The program manager,
- 21 in consultation with the E911 communications council, shall
- 22 allocate an amount, not to exceed one hundred thousand
- 23 dollars per fiscal year, for development of public awareness
- 24 and educational programs related to the use of 911 by the
- 25 public, educational programs for personnel responsible for the
- 26 maintenance, operation, and upgrading of local E911 systems,
- 27 and the expenses of members of the E911 communications council
- 28 for travel, monthly meetings, and training. The remaining
- 29 surplus shall be used to fund future network and public safety
- 30 answering point improvements for the receipt and disposition
- 31 of 911 calls, including hardware and software for an internet
- 32 protocol-enabled next generation network, and wireless
- 33 carriers' transport costs related to wireless E911 services, if
- 34 those costs are not otherwise recovered by wireless carriers
- 35 through customer billing or other sources and approved by the

- 1 program manager in consultation with the E911 communications
- 2 council. Notwithstanding section 8.33, any moneys remaining
- 3 in the fund at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to
- 4 the general fund of the state but shall remain available for
- 5 the purposes of the fund.